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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR MARCUARD CALLS ON AMBASSADOR LEONARD

1. ON JULY 26, AMBASSADOR MARCUARD, PERMANENT OBSERVER OF SWITZERLAND, CALLED ON AMBASSADOR LEONARD BEFORE GOING ON LEAVE IN SWITZERLAND UNTIL ABOUT THE 10TH OF SEPTEMBER.

2. AT HIS REQUEST, LEONARD GAVE AMBASSADOR MARCUARD A BRIEF RUNDOWN ON THE THREE AFRICAN ISSUES, NAMIBIA, RHODESIA, AND SOUTH AFRICA (APARTHEID).

3. CONCERNING RHODESIAN SANCTIONS, MARCUARD SAID THAT HE HAD MET WITH THE ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE, AMBASSADOR JAIPAL OF INDIA, AND THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, JAMES NGOBI, MORNING OF JULY 26 AND THAT JAIPAL, AS INSTRUCTED BY THE COMMITTEE, RAISED WITH MARCUARD SWISS INDIFFERENCE TO RHODESIAN SANCTIONS. MISOFF, WHO REPRESENTS US IN SANCTIONS COMMITTEE, EXPLAINED TO MARCUARD THAT COMMITTEE WAS FRUSTRATED BY SWISS SEEMING LACK OF INTEREST IN COMPLIANCE WITH SPIRIT OF SANCTIONS

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AGAINST SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND SUGGESTED THAT ANY EFFORTS THAT THE SWISS GOVERNMENT COULD TAKE WOULD BE APPRECIATED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE AND IN PARTICULAR THE WESTERN MEMBERS WHO TRY AND MAINTAIN A BALANCED APPROACH TO COUNTRIES WHICH EVADE SANCTIONS OR BECOME INVOLVED IN THRID COUNTRY SANCTIONS TRANSACTIONS. MARCUARD PROMISED THAT HE WOULD RAISE THE SUBJECT WITH HIS GOVERNMENT

AND AS HE AWARE OF THE FRUSTRATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE
AND THE AFRICAN GROUP, THAT HE WOULD STRESS THE NEED FOR THE
SWISS TO TAKE FURTHER MEASURES, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA
HE DESCRIBED AS "TRIANGULAR TRADE" THROUGH SWISS BANK,
FIRMS, AND INDIVIDUALS.

4. AMBASSADOR MARCUARD ASKED LEONARD ABOUT
THE US POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE ILO, AND
LEONARD SAID THAT A CABINET-LEVEL COMMITTEE WOULD BE
MAKING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE PRESIDENT, BUT AT THIS
POINT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO JUDGE THE FINAL POSITION
OF THE GOVERNMENT.

5. MARCUARD ASKED LEONARD IF THERE WAS ANYTHING NEW ON
THE US SIDE WITH RESPECT TO THE MOVEMENT OF SECRETARIAT
PERSONNEL FROM NEW YORK AND GENEVA TO VIENNA.
AMBASSADOR LEONARD REPLIED THAT THE US WOULD CONTINUE TO
REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE SWISS ON THIS SUBJECT,
AS WE HAVE IN THE PAST.
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